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THE DHSS SNAPSHOT NEWSLETTER IS NOW AVAILABLE

The Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) Snapshot Newsletter is now available through the following link: <http://health.mo.gov/information/news/snapshot/jan15.pdf>. The Snapshot is a bi-monthly publication. Look for future editions in the Friday Facts.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES (DHSS) AND LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY (LPHA) PUBLIC HEALTH CONFERENCE "MOVING MISSOURI'S PUBLIC HEALTH FORWARD: EXPLORING WHAT WORKS" – March 18-19

Registration is open for the DHSS and LPHA Public Health Conference "Moving Missouri's Public Health Forward: Exploring What Works" on March 18 & 19 at the Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia, Missouri. The conference is free of charge and travel reimbursement is available for LPHAs (*see registration form for details*). See the [conference program](#) with the session descriptions. Space is limited, so please share with your staff and register soon. Make hotel reservations no later than **March 6 by calling 573-445-8531 or 800-933-8531 and mention code PUC**. A block of single and double occupancy rooms has been set aside until March 6. The conference agenda and on-line registration is available at <http://health.mo.gov/living/lpha/meetings.php>.

CELEBRATING NATIONAL WOMEN AND GIRLS HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS/ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (HIV/AIDS) AWARENESS DAY 2015

National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day (NWGHAAD) is March 10. Today, about one in four people living with HIV in the United States are women 13 or older. Only about half of women living with HIV are getting care, and only four in ten of them have the virus under control. Women face unique HIV risks and challenges that can prevent them from getting needed care and treatment. The Health and Human Services (HHS) Office on Women's Health invites you to join their webinar, "*Ongoing Care and Treatment: Women with HIV/AIDS*" on Monday, March 10, from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. CST. Registration information can be found at <http://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USOPHSOWH/bulletins/a8054f>. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Bureau of HIV, STD and Hepatitis encourage the use of routine, opt-out HIV screening in all healthcare settings. For more information, please contact the Bureau at 573-751-6439.

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- [CDC's Weekly Scientific Digest](#)
- [CDC Environmental Health Training Resources](#)
- [FDA Environmental Health Training](#)
- [Missouri Health Information Technology \(MO HIT\) Assistance Center](#)
- [Ozark Public Health Institute](#)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA) ANNOUNCES \$9 MILLION TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY FOOD PROJECTS PROGRAM

The USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) announced the availability of \$9 million in funding to assist low-income individuals and communities in developing local and independent food systems. NIFA is funding the grants through the [Community Food Projects Program \(CFP\)](#), authorized by the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Farm Bill). Grants are intended to help eligible, private, nonprofit entities in need of a one-time installment of federal assistance to establish and carry out multipurpose community food projects. Projects are funded from \$10,000 to \$300,000 and up to 36 months. All grants require a dollar-for-dollar match in resources. Applications are due March 17. Please see the [request for applications](#) for specific program requirements.

CHANGING THE FUTURE OF CHILDHOOD OBESITY: ALIGNING AND AMPLIFYING STATEWIDE EFFORTS CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The Bureau of Community Health and Wellness is offering 12 scholarships for LPHA staff to attend the statewide conference on April 21-22. This meeting will showcase statewide recommendations to advance prevention and treatment of childhood obesity. Applicants should complete the LPHA scholarship [application](#) and return it to Marcia.davis@health.mo.gov by close of business on March 20. Applicants will be notified by March 27 if selected. For more information, please contact pat.simmons@health.mo.gov.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI'S MASTERS IN PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH) STUDENTS ARE SEEKING INTERNSHIPS FOR THE SUMMER OF 2015

Energetic, enthusiastic University of Missouri's Masters in Public Health (MPH) students are seeking internships in the summer 2015. LPHAs are terrific sites for MPH students to gain practical field experience in the real world of public health! Typically, internship projects include (but are not limited to) assistance with community assessment and strategic planning, researching and applying for grants, strategic communication and outreach, and program evaluation. If you are interested in potentially hosting an MPH intern this summer, contact Lynelle Phillips, RN, MPH, Field Placement Coordinator, at MU MPH Program at phillipslm@health.missouri.edu or 573-884-8976. Learn more about our program at <http://publichealth.missouri.edu>.

AVAILABLE RURAL HEALTH FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

The Office of Primary Care and Rural Health would like to announce two funding opportunities below which are being provided by the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP). For detailed information please see the attached [document](#).

- Rural Outreach Benefits Counseling Program Funding
- Rural Network Allied Health Training Program Funding

Also, to receive updates on topics for rural health, including funding opportunities, articles, and more – subscribe to our "Rural Spotlight" at: <http://health.mo.gov/blogs/ruralspotlight/>. Make sure to sign up today!

LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY (LPHA) EBOLA WEB PAGE UPDATES

The LPHA Ebola Updates have been posted to the LPHA Ebola web page. You can view the updates at: <https://health.mo.gov/EmergencyInfoForLPHAs/ebola/ebola.php>. This week's updates include:

- No Ebola web page updates this week

For questions, contact Jennifer Harrison by e-mail at Jennifer.Harrison@health.mo.gov, or by telephone at 573-522-2881.

WIC UPDATES

The WIC Updates have been posted to the WIC web page. You can view the updates at <http://health.mo.gov/living/families/wic/wicupdates/index.php>. This week's updates include:

- Microcuvette & Analyzer Deliveries
- Nutrition Update Training – Posted March 3rd
- Missouri WIC Approved Food List (Effective April 1, 2015-September 30, 2017)
- Continuing Education Units (CEU's) Corner
- **JOB OPENING:** Full-Time WIC Nutritionist – People's Health Center
- **JOB OPENING:** Full-Time WIC Nutritionist (Nutrition Technician) – St. Louis County Department of Health

CERTIFICATION BOARD EXAM NEWS 2015

The Missouri Board of Certification will be giving the examination for Missouri Certification and National Environmental Health Association Registered Sanitarian/Registered Environmental Health Specialist (NEHA RS/REHS) Certification prior to the Missouri Milk, Food, and Environmental Health Association (MMFEHA) Conference. Both exams will be given on Tuesday, March 31, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Country Club Hotel and Spa, Lake Ozark. Anyone that is interested in taking either of the exams will need to contact Janet Murray, R.E.H.S., at 660-263-6643 ext. 3043 or via e-mail at murraj1@lpha.mopublic.org. Applicants for the NEHA exam will need to obtain their applications from NEHA. Janet will e-mail Missouri Applications and Study Guides to those interested in taking the Missouri Credential. Applications for the Missouri exam must be completed and sent in to Janet by March 13. Reference materials and the study guide for the NEHA RS/REHS exam are also available from the Missouri Certification Board. These can be obtained by sending a check made out to the Missouri Certification Board for \$100.00 in care of Janet Murray to PO Box 488, Moberly, MO 65270. When the applicant returns the reference materials and study guide to the Board in good condition, \$50.00 of the money will be refunded.

2015 MISSOURI FISH ADVISORY GOES MOBILE

DHSS released the 2015 Fish Consumption Advisory, an annual report that provides a variety of useful information to people who consume fish caught in Missouri waters. DHSS also released the 2015 Summary of Fish Advisory Booklet. If you have not seen the booklet, it contains three recipes that are definitely worth trying. New this year is the Fish Advisory Interactive Map that is now available for use on mobile devices. To see if your favorite fishing hole has an advisory, go to <https://ogi.oea.mo.gov/DHSS/fishAdvisory/index.html>. For more information, visit the fish advisory web page at www.health.mo.gov/fishadvisory or contact the Bureau of Environmental Epidemiology at 573-751-6102 or toll free at 866-628-9891.

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DHSS JOB OPPORTUNITIES/NEWS: Merit Class Recruitment Opening

The Missouri Office of Administration is currently accepting applications until **March 31** to qualify individuals to be added to the following merit register:

Environmental Scientist
Environmental Specialist I
Environmental Specialist II
Environmental Specialist III
Environmental Supervisor

Interested participants must apply and be determined eligible for the classification by completing an application at <https://www.ease.mo.gov/>. The above opportunities can be viewed at <https://apps1.mo.gov/meritregisters>.

MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND TRAININGS

TUBERCULOSIS (TB) ORIENTATION TRAINING

The DHSS Bureau of Communicable Disease Control and Prevention Tuberculosis (TB) Control Program will be conducting "*TB Orientation Training*" this spring at various locations in Missouri. The target audience for this training is new Public Health Nurses or other health professionals whose duties include Latent Tuberculosis Infection (LTBI) and TB case management or those who need refresher training in TB. This course will provide information and education about basic concepts related to TB prevention and control. There is no cost, but registration is required as class size is limited, and to ensure we have enough handouts available. If you are interested in attending, please complete the [registration form](#) and send to Lesha Peterson at: Lesha.Peterson@health.mo.gov, or fax to 573-526-0235. If you have questions regarding this training, please call 573-751-6113.

STRATEGIC NATIONAL STOCKPILE (SNS) TRAINING FOR INVENTORY MANAGEMENT – March 12

The SNS training will be held at the Moberly Area Community College/Kirksville Higher Education Center, 2105 East Normal Street, Kirksville, MO 63501. It will cover an overview of the SNS program and allow participants hands-on experience using the SNS Missouri Health Strategic Architectures & Information Cooperative (MOHSAIC) ordering system. We will also be giving out two Excel spreadsheets which will allow you to print Bill of Lading or Transfer of Inventory forms so you will have chain of custody paperwork when you move antibiotics or antiviral medications to your points of dispensing (PODs) or participating pharmacies. Your staff will receive a spreadsheet template which will allow you to track the distribution of antibiotics, immunizations, etc., at the POD level. These templates have been created so it is easy to move data from the MOHSAIC system into excel so you have the ability to manage your assets at the local level without having to be connected to the internet. Objectives for the course are to learn how to set up a virtual warehouse, order supplies, and track items using an Excel spreadsheet. To register for this training, please go to the following URL: <http://training.dps.mo.gov/sematraining.nsf/TrainingSchedule?OpenForm>.

A COMMUNITY RECRUITMENT BABY SHOWER – March 12

The Missouri Bootheel Regional Consortium (MBRC) invites you to a Community Recruitment Baby Shower on Thursday, March 12, at the Hayti Community Center, 600 East Washington, Hayti from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a recruitment meeting from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. On-site Program Enrollment is available. For more information, call 573-471-9400 or view the attached [flyer](#).

VOLUNTEER DISPENSING TRAIN THE TRAINER COURSE – March 17

The Train the Trainer course will be held at the Department of Health and Senior Services, 930 Wildwood Drive, Jefferson City. It will equip participants to teach the Points of Dispensing Volunteer/Staff Training courses. The Volunteer Dispensing courses are courses designed to teach your volunteers how to dispense medication during a Governor declared emergency utilizing medications from the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS). Once you become a trainer you will have the ability to conduct courses, thus increasing your capacity to respond if the need for mass dispensing arises in your jurisdiction. Please register for this training at the [SEMA Training and Exercise webpage](#). The training time is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

12345 FIT-TASTIC TRAINING OPPORTUNITY – March 18

Are you using 12345 Fit-Tastic in your community or considering implementing the framework in your community? We will be conducting a break out session at the 2015 Public Health Conference to provide training on how to implement the Fit-Tastic framework in your community and a networking opportunity to work with others who are implementing 12345 Fit-Tastic. Join us on March 18 at 3:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia, Missouri. If you have not yet registered for the conference go to <http://health.mo.gov/living/lpha/meetings.php> and register today! For questions about the Fit-Tastic training, please contact Rachelle Collinge at rachelle.collinge@health.mo.gov or 573-526-0449.

THE MISSOURI OUTDOOR SUMMIT: "COMMUNITIES CONNECTING PEOPLE AND THE OUTDOORS" - March 19-20

Registration is now open for the Missouri Outdoor Summit: "*Communities Connecting People and the Outdoors*" to be held on March 19-20 at the Runge Conservation Nature Center in Jefferson City. The summit is for people interested in thinking strategically about how to increase outdoor opportunities in their communities and how to help connect residents to those opportunities. Health professionals, parks and recreation departments, and youth group organizers should attend. Please see www.confedmo.org/missouri-outdoor-summit/ for registration information. The early registration fee is \$75.00. After March 1, it is \$85.00. For more information, please contact Kathy Craig at Kathy.craig@health.mo.gov.

CREATING A HEALTHIER NATION 2030 – April 7

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health-Region VII is hosting a collaborative event, *Creating a Healthier Nation 2030*, on Tuesday, April 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (registration begins at 8:30 a.m.) at the Kauffman Foundation Conference Center, 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO, and this event is free and open to the public, but registration is required <http://publichealthweekkc.eventbrite.com>. This half-day event will showcase *Public Health at Work* and highlight organizations and agencies currently working to create a healthier nation. **Please share with your networks.** If you have any questions, please contact Corstella Henley at corstella.henley@hhs.gov. For more information, please see the attached [flyer](#).

SAVE-THE-DATE: LOW BIRTHWEIGHT CONFERENCE – April 17

SAVE-THE-DATE for the 17th Annual Low Birthweight Partnership Initiative Presents "*Leading the Movement, the Importance of Male Involvement and Prenatal Health Care*" Conference on Friday, April 17, at the Miner Convention Center, 2610 Malone, Sikeston. Registration is from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., the exhibits are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and lunch will be provided. For more information, please see the attached [flyer](#).

2015 CANCER SUMMIT - April 30-May 2

The 2015 Cancer Summit is provided by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Service's Comprehensive Cancer Control Program and the Missouri Cancer Consortium. The purpose of this conference is to enhance knowledge of the learner in the area of evidence-based cancer care with the end result of improving the quality of life of the cancer survivor. The summit will be held April 30-May 2 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Columbia. Early registration for the three-day summit is \$40 for a single day and \$75 for two or more days. Registration brochures will be available in early March. Call the hotel before March 30 to receive a special room rate of \$83.00/night single or \$99.00/night double occupancy at 573-814-5464 and use code "**DOH**". For more information, please see the attached [document](#).

SATELLITE BROADCASTS AND WEBCASTS

UPCOMING SATELLITE BROADCASTS AND WEBCASTS

Please see the [attached flier](#) listing upcoming satellite broadcasts. Contact Jackie McCoy at 573-751-6170 or Heather Rhodes at 573-751-6168 with questions or to report technical problems.

LPHA JOB OPPORTUNITIES

FULL-TIME PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE – Clay County Public Health Center

CCPHC is seeking candidates for the position of a full-time Public Health Nurse. The Public Health Nurse performs a variety of activities within our Family Health Services team, including, but not limited to,: Administering age-appropriate immunizations following established protocols and clinical standards; participating in the case management of clients; conducting case management following program guidelines; utilizing EMR for documentation, scheduling, etc.; participating with local physicians, businesses, schools, organizations, and others in the community to provide services directed at health promotion, protection, and disease prevention; interacting with other health agencies, community health organizations, and stakeholders for the benefit of the community; assisting with case-finding through contacts with physicians, school authorities, health and welfare agencies, professional and lay groups and individuals; marketing CCPHC services and addressing health concerns; and other duties as assigned. A Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree and a Missouri Registered Nurse (RN) license are required. Case management, immunizations, and/or WIC experience is preferred. Excellent communication and computer skills are also required. Bilingual skills are a plus. Interested parties may view our current benefits package and apply on-line at www.clayhealth.com or send a cover letter, resume, and application to Clay County Public Health Center, attn.: Human Resources, 800 Haines Drive, Liberty, MO 64068.

FULL-TIME REGISTERED NURSE (RN) – Linn County Health Department

The Linn County Health Department is accepting applications for a full-time RN. Primary job focus is health education, grant writing, and related public health nursing duties. A bachelor's degree in nursing and previous public health experience is preferred but not required. Compensation is commensurate with experience/education and includes insurance and retirement benefits. Applications may be obtained at the health department. Please submit resume and application to the health department by March 20 at 12:00 p.m. *The Linn County Health Department is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and services are provided on a non-discriminatory basis.*

FULL-TIME PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE – Pettis County Health Center

The Pettis County Health Center is seeking a public health nurse for a full-time position for a public health nurse. A RN license is preferred, but will consider an experienced LPN, to provide a variety of public health nursing services. Primary focus will be on maternal-child health programs. Other duties will include clinic services, program management, community education, and outreach services. The salary scale and the full benefit package have been recently increased. Please submit resumes in envelope labeled "Public Health Nursing" to the Pettis County Health Center, 911 East 16th Street, Sedalia, MO 65301 or e-mail to wiltsk@lpha.mopublic.org. The application deadline has been extended to March 6. The Pettis County Health Center is an equal opportunity employer.

REGIONAL RESPONSE PLANNER – St. Charles County Department of Community Health and the Environment

This is a full-time, 40 hour per week position which includes a full range of benefits including paid time off, extended medical leave, holidays, employee health, dental, life, disability, retirement, and tuition assistance programs. This position coordinates with Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (MODHSS) to plan for public health emergencies in the county and to determine statewide and region specific planning and preparedness needs in St. Charles County. Collaborates with medical, hospital, emergency services, law enforcement, and other entities in St. Charles County and other Regional Response Planners in Region C to develop, exercise, and evaluate the regions' response plans and to ensure they are in compliance with specific components and guidelines of MODHSS. Participates and coordinates tabletop, function and full scale annual exercises for Region C, and other planning regions as MODHSS deems necessary, evaluating the exercises, and continually updates the emergency preparedness and response plan as determined from the exercises. Conducts tabletop and simulation exercises to demonstrate proficiency, collaborates with other regional response planners in planning activities, and exercises to ensure statewide responses are integrated. For more information on this job opportunity, please see the attached [flyer](#).

ENVIRONMENTAL REPRESENTATIVE/LEAD RISK ASSESSOR – St. Louis County Health Department

This position will provide inspections to assess environmental hazards and compliance with established codes and laws to insure the health and safety of individuals. The Health Homes Environmental Representative/Lead Risk Assessor must possess a thorough knowledge of the principles and practices of Environmental Public Health as they pertain to the healthy homes concept and lead poisoning prevention. In addition, the Environmental Representative Lead Risk Assessor provides information and assistance to businesses and the general public concerning lead poisoning prevention, proper lead abatement procedure, lead-safe work practices, indoor air quality, asthma triggers, and noise control. The minimum qualifications is a bachelor's degree in environmental health or related field and three year's experience conducting lead risk assessments/inspections, or any equivalent combination of training and experience. State of Missouri Lead Risk Assessor certification is preferred. For more information and to apply, please visit www.stlouisco.com or call 314-615-5429.

OTHER JOB OPPORTUNITIES

EXTERNAL RELATIONS SPECIALIST - St. Louis University College for Public Health and Social Justice (CPHSJ)

This position organizes the efforts of the college's various external partners, assists in developing strategic partnerships with the CPHSJ in coordination with the various schools and the development Office, principally organizes events sponsored by the college with the goal to increase visibility, improve community involvement, and as an alumni involvement and student recruiting mechanism. See the [attached flyer](#) for further information.

WORKFORCE PLACEMENT COORDINATOR - St. Louis University College for Public Health and Social Justice (CPHSJ)

This position organizes the efforts of the colleges regarding career services; evaluates markets employing graduating students from CPHSJ, develops strategic relationships, develops processes and infrastructure to support an aggressive employment program, and serves as a single source of contact for potential employers looking for graduating CPHSJ students. For more information, please click [here](#).

INTERNSHIP COORDINATOR - St. Louis University College for Public Health and Social Justice (CPHSJ)

This position organizes the efforts of various field placement and internship coordinators across the college, including developing a comprehensive database and setting strategic direction; works in conjunction with the various program's internship coordinators, assists in outreach to community partners to develop an organized approach for the college and the students. For more information on this job opportunity, please click [here](#).

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